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President Marvin Mericle

President's Message

As I write this, fellow numismatists are preparing for the American Numismatic Association's show in Pittsburgh. Along these same lines, others are preparing for the Summer Olympics being held in Greece.

By the time you receive your copy of *The Centinel*, both events will be part of history.

These events are something that make people reflect on history. Our numismatic hobby is a record book of history, and like the ANA, Central States Numismatic Society has stepped forward and created an organization that supports not only its members, but any and all people who share in this hobby.

As I look back, I see an organization that got its start by a few individuals who had a desire to share their world of collecting with others in the Midwest and has grown to include everyone in the world. Our hobby has grown over the past twenty or so years, and CSNS has strived to not only keep up with it, but also to be a leader.

As an individual member or club, you are given many gifts and opportunities to grow within the world of numismatics.

First, we furnish a quarterly publication called *The Centinel*. It contains some of the best articles by writers found today. We now have a past president and current board member writing about the history of CSNS. Each year we recognize those who write for us by giving the Bradfield and Parker Literary Awards. Member clubs are able to not only list their meeting place, but also their show. *The Centinel* has received the ANA award for best regional publication for several years now.

Next, we have established a scholarship program to support and encourage our members to attend the ANA summer seminar to learn more about numismatics. We currently offer scholarships to both young numismatists (YNs) and adults. We help local member clubs purchase books for their hometown libraries.

We now have one of the largest coin and currency shows in the United States - and just possibly in the world. During our show we offer many educational programs along with what I believe is one of the best run exhibit programs anywhere. Not only do we encourage people to exhibit, but we also present those who have put forth the effort and are judged the best in their group or category awards of gold and ask them to attend our CSNS awards breakfast.

These are just a few of the reasons to belong to "THE Central States Numismatic Society," believed by many to be the most prestigious regional organization of its kind in the country. And I hope that if you are not a member, you will join, and that you will encourage others to join our wonderful collecting hobby!

Marvin Mericle

Secretary Jerry Lebo

Secretary's Message

CSNS bourse dealers, by more than a 4-1 margin, favor ending our spring anniversary conventions on Saturday rather than Sunday.

The survey, conducted by mail during June, also asked questions about favorite convention cities, bourse booth assignments and public registration.

The survey was mailed to 380 dealers and answered by 215 of them. Not all dealers answered all questions, so the following vote totals will vary.

Central States has not enforced any early departure penalties, at least not in recent years, despite the fact many dealers pull up stakes and leave the show Saturday afternoon. The result is a sparsely attended bourse on Sunday.

We specifically asked about adding one hour of bourse time daily Thursday through Saturday and eliminating public hours on Sunday. There were 172 yes votes and 40 nays. A few respondents suggested selling vacated booths on Sunday to local dealers. Such a plan has been considered in years past but never effected.

Up until now, bourse booth assignments have pretty much been on a first-come, first-served basis. We asked the dealers if we should continue this system or start assigning booths based on seniority, i.e., years of having tables at our shows.

The results: 114 favored a seniority plan while 92 voted to continue the first-come method. Dealers who have been doing the shows for many years tended to favor seniority while dealers newer to Central States tended to favor first-come. Statistically, dealers favoring seniority averaged just over 14 years of doing CSNS conventions, while those wanting to keep the first-come system averaged about eight years of doing CSNS shows.

We asked if it is important to have visitors register and, in effect, wear name tags. The results: 85 believe it's important while 122 didn't see it as important.

The other item on the survey asked if auction schedules affect their decision as to when to leave the show. The results: 47 are affected by the auctions and 167 are not.

A decade ago we did a survey and found considerable opposition to continuing PNG Day. The board at that time decided to continue PNG Day but with tightened guidelines.

Wondering just how much opposition to PNG Day still exists, we deliberately omitted any reference to PNG, wanting to see if dealers would raise the issue in the space set aside for comments.

Roughly 20 percent of those taking the time to offer comments voiced continued opposition to PNG Day.

We listed 13 cities as potential spring convention sites. Chicago emerged as the clear favorite, followed by St. Louis, Indianapolis and Milwaukee.

Using a point system to rate favorite cities, we came up with the following tally:

Chicago	2,029
St. Louis	1,461
Indianapolis	1,402
Milwaukee	1,362
Minneapolis	1,168
Cincinnati	1,052

Kansas City 857
Detroit 776
Cleveland 720
Columbus OH 683
Louisville 475
Des Moines 411
Omaha 395

The survey results will be reviewed by the CSNS board at its fall meeting in Sharonville, Ohio.

We're undoubtedly setting some sort of record for the earliest date in which a CSNS spring anniversary convention's bourse has been sold out. As this is being written during early August, the May 2005 St. Louis bourse is nearing a sellout with just about 20 dealer booths remaining out of 285. I suspect that there will be a waiting list following the ANA convention in Pittsburgh during mid-August. Because of publishing deadlines, we won't be able to officially report a sellout in these pages until the next issue.

We've made a slight change in the presentation of membership applications, beginning with this issue of *The Centinel*. We previously listed the applicants by membership number. We are now listing them in alphabetical order, which should make for easier review.

We were sorry to learn of the death this June of Cleveland dealer Norm Talbert. Norm was a frequent dealer at our anniversary conventions. He held life membership number 411. Our condolences go to his widow, Nancy, and their children.

Even closer to home for me was the death June 28 of former CSNS governor Don Hudson at the age of 80 in Indianapolis. Don and I had been friends for 25 years. His obituary appears elsewhere in this issue.

Unnoticed, at least by most of us, for about seven years was an error on our Central States checks for both the show account and the regular account.

When I moved back to my hometown of Logansport, Ind., seven years ago, I set up CSNS accounts at the Logansport Savings Bank. I thought it would be neat to have our logo on the checks, so I took a copy to the bank and placed the orders.

At first glance the logo on the checks looked just fine, and has graced the hundreds (probably more than 2,000) checks I have written during the past seven years.

Bob Julian, one of our *Centinel* authors and a good personal friend, caught the error when I paid him for his most recent article.

Seems the check printer did not make an exact copy of the logo. Instead, it apparently had its own artist redraw the design, which shows the 13-state CSNS region and the words "Central States Numismatic Society."

"Numismatic" became "Humismatic" on the logo that made its way onto our checks. The printing is rather small, and a cursory inspection didn't catch the mistake.

We just reordered checks and found that the correction was made. So, as the old joke goes, if you receive one of our old checks for one reason or another, you might want to consider framing it as a neat souvenir rather than cashing it. Okay... so that's not that good of a joke.

Jerry Lebo

Membership Applications

The persons named below have applied for membership in the Society. Each applicant will become a member in 30 days, unless a written objection to his or her application is received by the Secretary-Treasurer prior to that date.

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Norman A. Talbert, Jr.
~ 1944 - 2004 ~

Norm Talbert, 60, owner of Great Lakes Coin Co. in Cleveland, died May 30, after suffering a massive stroke at his home while preparing to travel to California for the Long Beach Coin Expo.

Talbert, a dealer in U. S. coins for 32 years, specialized in Buffalo nickels and Barber coinage. A native of Muncie, IN, he was a life member of the ANA, and held memberships in numerous numismatic organizations, including CSNS, FUN, Michigan State Numismatic Society, Ohio State Numismatic Association and the Original Hobo Nickel Society. Before founding his company in 1972, he worked in the banking industry.

According to Nancy Talbert, Norm's wife of 32 years, he received his first coin when he was 9 years old. She considered her husband to be a very fair coin dealer, fair on his grading and prices, with a lot of customers and very few returns.

As per Mr. Talbert's wishes, there was to be no memorial service, his body cremated and his remains interred next to those of his father in Indiana, according to Mrs. Talbert.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Talbert is survived by three daughters, four grand-children, and a sister.

Contributions in Norm Talbert's name may be sent to Rocky River Senior Center, 21012 Hilliard Blvd., Rocky River, OH 44116.

Letter To The Editor

A quick note to say, "Wow!"

I just finished looking at the Summer, 2004, issue of *The Centinel* and was very impressed with your editing and photos!

I know it is not easy to put it all together, and wanted you to know you have an appreciative reader in the Southern Nevada desert.

Best wishes ... Donn Pearlman, President
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Editor's Note: Your comments are very much appreciated, but I must share the credit with the talented staff at Signature Press where *The Centinel* is created quarterly. Their spark and imagination is what helps to make our publication what it is. And with their continued professional input and with my good looks, the sky is the limit!!

DONALD R. HUDSON
~ 1924 - 2004 ~

Long-time collector Don Hudson, 80, died Monday, June 28, in Indianapolis following complications from surgery.

Hudson was a former president of the Indiana State Numismatic Association and served as president of the Indianapolis Coin Club on four separate occasions. He also was president of the old Capital City Coin Club of Indianapolis and served several terms as a governor of CSNS during the 1970s and 1980s.

Don served as a district representative for the ANA and was general chairman for both Indiana State and Central States conventions. He received numerous awards over the years, including the Numismatic Ambassador Award from *Numismatic News* in 1991.

He collected U. S. coins with a special interest in silver dollars and was an authority on altered and counterfeit coins, frequently speaking on the subject.

"Don certainly was a credit to our hobby," said Marvin Mericle, the current Central States president and long-time friend. "He was always willing to serve in whatever capacity he was needed."

His role with Indiana State bears that out. During 20 years on the ISNA board, Hudson held various positions, including president, vice president, editor, historian and governor.

Ray Lockwood, who like Mericle and Hudson is a former ISNA and Central States president, remembers Hudson as an exhibitor and exhibit judge. "It was a fairly common sight to see Don huddling with other judges to compare notes and make sure the best exhibits won," Lockwood said.

"Don was an enormous help to me during my early involvement in organized numismatics many years ago," said Jerry Lebo, current CSNS secretary-treasurer. "His guidance helped me understand the people and the issues involved in several organizations during the 1970s. We've been friends ever since."

Funeral services and burial were conducted Friday, July 2, in Indianapolis. Hudson was the widower of Virginia Hudson.

Survivors include a daughter, grandson, great granddaughters, nieces, and longtime companion, Shirley Shoup.

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Kevin Foley

From the Convention Chairman

An invitation to numismatic clubs to hold membership meetings in conjunction with the 66th anniversary convention of Central States Numismatic Society, May 5-8, 2005, in St. Louis, Missouri, has been extended by Kevin Foley, show chairman.

"The CSNS convention has grown over the years to become one of the premier events on the numismatic calendar," according to Foley. "And our board of governors recognizes that one of the features giving our event its special character is the fact that other numismatic organizations regularly hold meetings highlighting their own collecting interests as part of our annual gathering. These club meetings give collectors who share a common interest an opportunity to get together with people sharing a similar collecting focus. New collectors are also able to affiliate with organizations that will help them explore the field they are just starting to become acquainted with and educate them about reference sources and other collecting resources."

Club officers interested in scheduling meetings - or persons needing other information - can contact Foley at (414) 421-3484 or via e-mail at kfoley2@wi.rr.com.

Central States secretary-treasurer Jerry Lebo serves as bourse chairman. Dealers interested in having booths in the convention bourse area may contact him a (574) 753-2489 or by e-mail at lebo@clss.net.

The Holiday Inn Select, adjacent to the America's Center, at 811 No. 9th St., is the headquarters hotel for the convention. Rooms are available there for $99, single or double. Convention goers should call the hotel direct at (314) 426-5500 and mention the code "CSN" to qualify for the discounted rate.

American Airlines, with a hub operation at the St. Louis Lambert Airport, is the official air carrier for the Central States convention. American is offering fare discounts of 5%-10%. Convention attendees should call American's convention services desk at (800) 433-1790 and mention Starfile "A2045AA" to book using the discounted fares.

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COLLECTING ERROR U.S. STATE QUARTERS

by William H. Cowburn, Jr.

The numismatic hobby has seen a dramatic increase in the total number of coin collectors during the past several years in large part due to intense interest in the U.S. State Quarters program. This program utilizes the Washington Quarter Dollar with a unique design for each of the 50 states. These designs are intended to celebrate the individual qualities of each state. The quarters are issued at the rate of 5 designs per year, approximately one new design every 10 weeks, in the order that each state entered the union. Assembling a collection of the U.S. State Quarters is fun for both the newcomer to the hobby and for the veteran collector, however the difficulty in putting the set together is quite low.

The State Quarter program is very popular and getting high quality examples of each of the new quarters is relatively easy. The mintages for each of the circulation quality U.S. State Quarter is in the hundreds of millions of coins. Rolls of the quarters are available at local banks for face value. Collectors trade with fellow enthusiasts located across the country to get examples of the mintmark that is not readily available in their own area. For example, those living on the east coast usually find it easy to get nice examples of the Philadelphia mint coins, but they might need to trade with a collector on the west coast to get nice uncirculated examples of the Denver mint issues. In addition, the U.S. Mint sells the U.S. State Quarters directly to collectors in mint sets, proof sets, silver proof sets, by the roll or even loose in bags. While some of the coins purchased and/or traded for in this manner are certainly not MS65 or above quality, with some searching it is very possible to assemble a complete set of the U.S. State Quarters in very high grade.

So where is the challenge in putting together this set when examples of each issue are abundant and high quality examples are common? The ease of collecting the U.S. State Quarters is fantastic for children and beginning level collectors of all ages. However, this ease of collecting can be a 'turnoff' for an intermediate or advanced level collector. Is a collector simply destined to set aside a nice example of the current issue and then wait for 10 more weeks until the next new coin is issued? Collecting the uncirculated and proof issues of these coins may not be very challenging, but this series does offer a chance for collectors to expand their horizons and venture into a different, informative and challenging area of collecting - that of errors on the U.S. State Quarters!

At the Spring Central States Numismatic Society convention held in Milwaukee, I entered a competitive exhibit called "Collecting Error U.S. State Quarters." The exhibit was designed to show collectors different types of errors that have been found on state quarters and to encourage collectors to consider venturing into this area of our hobby - collecting errors. This article is intended to follow-up on that exhibit and to spread the word to those that were not able to attend the convention.

Collecting error coins requires the hobbyist to alter his numismatic

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mindset that has been developed from years of collecting 'normal' coins. After all, we have all been taught that we should collect coins in the very best condition possible, so why would we deliberately look for a coin that is flawed? I can still vividly remember as a Boy Scout in the 1960's reading an article in *Boy's Life* magazine that referred to error coins as FIDOs. FIDO was an acronym that stood for Freaks, Irregulars, Defectives and Oddities. Now why in the world would anyone want to collect irregular or defective items??? Even as a young boy that was not very experienced with collecting (I mainly looked through Lincoln cents to fill in my old Whitman blue folder) I knew that I should be looking for coins as close to perfect in condition as possible. Certainly not something called a FIDO!

Collecting error coins provides the thrill of discovering something that was not supposed to have been released into circulation. Mistakes are a routine part of any manufacturing process even when the best of quality controls are in place. The U.S. Mint is no exception to this rule. Only a small fraction of the total mintage of coins produced by the mint are errors. An error coin is produced when an unintentional mistake occurs during production resulting in a coin that differs from the standard. The U.S. Mint then has screening systems in place to catch these errors before they leave the minting facility. This means that only a small percentage of the errors that were created to begin with ever enter circulation to be found by collectors. This scarcity provides a challenge to collecting as well as the thrill of the hunt.

Collecting error coins also prompts the collector to learn the minting process in order to figure out how certain errors are produced. This knowledge of how coins are made is a useful tool in identifying coins that have been faked to look like errors as well as in distinguishing coins that have suffered damage after they were produced and are therefore not considered collectible as errors. The process of collecting and studying errors will naturally lead you down the road towards becoming a numismatist rather than simply an accumulator or casual collector. The journey spent on that road will bring you much pleasure and let you see that this hobby is about much more than the prices listed in a guide for the coins that you collect.

What types of errors are available in U.S. State Quarters? The short answer is that almost any type of error that you can think of exists in the State Quarter series. Some are very inexpensive and can even be found in rolls from your local bank. Others will cost significant amounts and will probably only be found through a dealer specializing in errors or in a major auction.

Broadstrike Connecticut state Quarter.

Coins Struck Out of Collar

This class of error includes both off center and broadstrikes and happens when the collar die is jammed out of position. Normally there are 3 dies acting in concert to produce a normal coin. The hammer die, the anvil die and the collar. The main purposes of the collar include properly positioning the planchet before striking, imparting the edge design on the coin (the internal walls of the collar are either reeded or smooth depending upon the coin type) and restraining the metal of the

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planchet from spreading beyond the appropriate diameter for that coin.

If the collar is stuck out of position, the planchet is free to fall in any location within the coining chamber. When the planchet is not centered between the upper and lower dies (the anvil and hammer dies) part of the design may not be transferred to the struck coin because the planchet did not cover that part of the die. This type of error is an off center coin. If the dies strike the planchet when the collar is out of position but all of the design elements show on the coin, this type of error is a broadstrike. In both error types, the struck out of collar coin is larger is diameter than a normal coin because the collar was not in position to restrain the metal from flowing outwards. When this type of error happens with a U.S. State Quarter, there will not be any reeding on the coin because the collar was not in place to impart the reeding to the coin.

Incomplete Planchets (Clips)

Curved-clip Connecticut state quarter.

This type of error begins when the blanks are punched from coils of metal that have been rolled to the proper thickness for a particular coin denomination. The punches are similar in function to a cookie cutter and blanks are punched from the strip of metal as the metal is advanced beneath the punches. If the coin strip does not advance properly, the punches may cut out new blanks over a section of the strip that has already been used. This will result in the new blank having a missing area known as a curved clip.

This type of error is more accurately labeled as an 'incomplete planchet' rather than 'clip' because nothing was clipped away from the planchet, instead the punch overlapped an area that did not contain coinage strip. Thus, the blank that was punched from the coinage strip never was circular in shape to begin with. However, use of the term 'clip' is common within the hobby, even among error enthusiasts.

Incomplete planchets can be broken down into three categories - curved, straight and ragged. The curved clip is described above. A straight clip happens when the punch overlaps the edge of the coinage strip instead of overlapping an area already punched. The ragged clip happens when the punch overlaps the very end of the strip and that end has metal not uniform for coining. Curved clips are the most commonly encountered type, followed by the straight clip and then the ragged clip error.

An interesting feature on many coins of this error type is something called the 'Blakesly Effect.' This is named after the gentleman who first described the feature and is recognized by a weakness in the rim directly opposite from the clip. The weakness is caused by the mechanical process of turning a 'blank' into a 'planchet' that is ready for striking into a coin. A blank is the round disk of metal that has been punched from coinage strip. The blank is then processed into a planchet by annealing the blank and then running the blanks through a machine that puts a rim on the disk of metal. This is done by forcing the blanks through an area slightly smaller than the diameter of the blank. The weakness in the rim directly opposite from the clip is due to the machine not being able to exert pressure on the blank in the area where the clip exists. The lack of pressure in the area of the clip results in low pressure opposite from the clip and less of a rim being formed.

Multiple Strikes

This type of error occurs when the newly struck coin fails to properly eject from the coining chamber. The coin is then struck an additional time by the dies. If the coin was struck on center to begin with and then was partially ejected, the error will show as one strike on center and the second strike off center. Many variations in position of strikes are possible as well as having many multiple strikes. These errors can be visually stunning and are very popular.

Misaligned Dies (MAD)

This error occurs when the hammer and anvil dies (obverse and reverse images) are not in proper alignment horizontally. Normally these dies will be aligned so that the hammer die is directly over the anvil die. However, in some cases the dies become misaligned either through a problem when they are installed or due to wear and vibration from the coining press.

The planchet feeds into the coining chamber properly and therefore sits on the anvil die in the correct position. However, the hammer die will not impart its full image to the planchet due to the misalignment. At first glance, this error looks like an off center coin. But the coin has been struck in the collar and the image imparted from the anvil die is complete. Only the image from the hammer die is partly missing due to that die being misaligned. Because the hammer die does not strike all of the planchet, the anvil die side of the coin will not receive full pressure from the strike of the hammer die in the misaligned area. Thus, the anvil side will show some weakness directly opposite the area not struck by the hammer die even though the anvil die side of the coin is centered.

Die Cracks, Breaks and CUDS

These error types occur through a failure of the die steel. The steel used to make the dies that strike coins is quite hard and designed to last for many strikes before needing to be replaced with a new die. However, the intense pressure that is generated when the dies come together to bring out the detail of the coin will cause the die to deteriorate and if the die is not removed, eventually to break.

Die cracks come from the stress of striking coins and appear as raised lines on the coin. The lines are raised because the crack in the die goes below the surface of the die and results in a raised area on the coin. This is an important diagnostic to be sure that the coin surface has not been scratched and damaged rather than having been struck from a die with a crack in it.

Off-center New Hampshire state quarter.

Straight-clip Pennsylvania state quarter.

Misaligned die (MAD), anvil die side.

Die breaks are larger than cracks and run from rim-to-rim on the coin. These began as cracks, but were not noticed in time to replace the die before it eventually broke. When a piece of the broken die falls away, a coin struck by that die is said to have a CUD. This is an unstruck area of the coin due to a piece of the die being missing.

Generally, die cracks are quite inexpensive and can be found on many of the U.S. State Quarters. While minor cracks can be enjoyable to collect, many serious error collectors ignore them as being too 'common.' However, CUDS are not known on too many of the State Quarters so they will provide more of a challenge to the collector.

Misaligned die (MAD), hammer die side, Virginia state quarter.

Other Error Types

As mentioned earlier, there are many different types of error State Quarters. Some not listed above include those struck on the wrong planchet such as a nickel blank being fed into the quarter press, quarters missing a layer of clad metal before being struck, indents, rotated reverses and a few very rare mules (those struck with a state quarter die on one side and a dollar die on the other). While the error types listed here are not intended to be comprehensive, they do represent the vast majority of the errors that will be encountered.

How to Collect U.S. State Quarter Errors

As mentioned earlier, collecting 'normal' U.S. State Quarters is a very easy task-even in high grades like MS67 or PR69. However, by considering errors as a part of your U.S. State Quarter collection, you will have the pleasure of working on a challenging set that you can organize in any manner that you like. Consider the following possibilities in forming a collection:

> Collect as many different error types as you can find for one particular state that is important to you. You could have a set of quarters from your home state that have off centers, broadstrikes, double strikes, incomplete planchets (curved, straight and ragged), die cracks, CUDS, struck on wrong planchets, struck on foreign material, struck through foreign material, misaligned dies, etc. WOW! What a collection that could be assembled for just one state!

> Perhaps you would like to focus on one particular type of error and collect an example of that error for each state. For example you could collect broadstrikes for each U.S. State Quarter. If you wanted to expand upon that, you could collect one for each Philadelphia and Denver issue and have 2 examples of the error for each state.

> You could form a 'clock' collection of off center U.S. State Quarters. This type of collection is typically seen with Lincoln Cents, but a dramatic display could be made using U.S. State Quarters. Off center coins are noted to be off center a certain percentage and in a certain direction using clock positions to denote the direction.

Therefore this type of collection would consist of at least 12 off center U.S. State Quarters with one O/C at 12:00, one O/C at 1:00, one O/C at 2:00, etc.

> A wonderful collection could be made by collecting either off center or incomplete planchets in gradually increasing percentages or degrees of the error. For example, using off centers, you could start with a coin less than 3% O/C, then have one 5% O/C, then one 10% right up to one that is greater than 95% O/C.

> If you really like incomplete planchets, you might want to have an example of a curved clip, a straight clip and a ragged clip - for each U.S. State Quarter! Wow, that would take quite a bit of time and effort to do!

OK, I think you get the idea here - there are many ways to collect errors with U.S. State Quarters. Use your imagination and work with what you enjoy. The possibilities are almost endless for forming a wonderful and unique collection.

Take a step outside of collecting normal coins and you just might find that collecting FIDOs will broaden your numismatic outlook and bring back some of the fun that you had when you originally began collecting coins. You will find yourself much less concerned with whether your coin grades as an MS69 or will it 'only' be an MS67. Instead you will be trying to figure out how that type of error happened. The thrill of the hunt! The pursuit of knowledge! Assembling a unique collection!

Let the good times roll while another numismatist is being born thanks to the U.S. State Quarters program!

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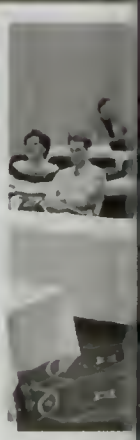

1- Exhibitors went for the gold! Those who earned first place honors were (l to r) Katie Heinrich, William Cowburn Jr., Ron Sirna, Wendell Wolka, Nancy Wilson, William Brandimore, James Cain, and Tom Casper. Missing from the picture: Tom Klunzinger. Central States is undoubtedly the only numismatic group that rewards its competitive exhibitors with real gold - 1/10 ounce to full ounce gold American eagles!

2- Second place exhibit honors went to Bruce Benoit, Nolan Benoit (in front), Lenny Vaccaro, Dan Freeland, Mike Dennany, William Cowburn Jr., and Bruce Bartelt. Missing: William Herzog and Leon Saryan.

3- Taking third place honors were Ray Dillard, Dave Edwards, Anna Heinrich (in front), Tom Casper, Mike Dennany, and Julio Rodriguez. Missing: Tom Klunzinger and Leon Saryan.

4- Junior exhibitors who shared in the gold were Anna Heinrich, 3rd; Katie Heinrich, 1st; and Nolan Benoit, 2nd, who received gold 1/10 oz., 1/2 oz., and 1/4 oz. American eagles respectively.

5- Best of show honors were earned by William Brandimore, one of Wisconsin's leading currency buffs, for his "ABCs of Paper Money," an elegant multi-case presentation. This year's top exhibiting award was named in honor of Leon Hendrickson, a past president and life-long supporter of Central States.

4 Revisited!

6- Milwaukee's Midwest Airlines Center provided an attractive venue for the 2004 CSNS convention.

7- Long-time Central States governor, Florence Schook, acted as auction clerk, delivering lots won by youthful bidders who settled their accounts with "real" funny money.

8 -The annual YN numismatic auction saw frenzied bidding that kept auctioneers Ray Lockwood and Marv Mericle on their toes! Much of the material - coins, books and supplies - was donated through the generosity of dealers manning the bourse at the Milwaukee convention.

9- Turning out his annual show souvenir, Ray Dillard (at right) rolled one-cent coins into elongated collector pieces under the watchful eyes of CSNS president Marv Mericle and Katie Heinrich. Popularly known as "The Crankiest Man in the Midwest," Ray and his crank-operated rolling machine are a featured attraction at many Midwest coin shows.

10- The annual Society membership meeting was well attended by members, and by exhibitors waiting for exhibit chairperson Fran Lockwood (foreground) to announce the judge's decisions.

11- In support of Central States' numismatic scholarship program, Krause Publications again this year presented the Society a percentage of advertising revenue derived from production of the printed convention program. Joel Edler (left), senior advertising representative of the Wisconsin publisher, presented a $950 check to retiring president Harry Tileston.

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History of Central States

Part 7

The 1951 Central States convention was held in Minneapolis. A committee from the Northwest Coin Club met in September of 1950 with CSNS President Lillard Culver and other Society officers to make plans for the Twin Cities affair, May 11-13. The convention headquarters was the Curtis Hotel in Minneapolis. M. Hilding Nelson was the convention chairman. Exhibit chairman, Ed Mitchell, stated: "By a super job of tapping all available grey matter, we intend to keep registration cost down to the level of last year, interest above previous years and quality and quantity at a pace to challenge future years." Publicity chairman, Elmer Tupper, promoted the convention with promises of a Friday evening party, a tour of the flour milling section of Minneapolis and the University of Minnesota, as well as a big Saturday evening banquet with "fun and zip!"

Rates at the Curtis Hotel were: one person, $4.50; two persons with double bed, $5.50; and two persons with twin beds, $6.50.

The weatherman cooperated with the Minneapolis CSNS convention by providing three sunny days with temperatures in the mid-70s. Movies and musical entertainment were Friday evening fare with J. V. McDermott in charge of the punch bowl.

Seventy-five exhibit cases contained such choice displays as Dr. Judd's 405 different U. S. patterns and McDermott's 1913 Liberty nickel. Ribbons for the top four exhibits were provided by Numismatic Gallery. Clarence Gott's gold coin exhibit took first place.

Overheard in the Saturday twelve-table bourse were McDermott turning down a $5,000 offer for his nickel, Art Kagin buying out the other dealers' commemoratives, and the "scarce" '50-D nickels being distributed one roll per person by the Cleveland Federal Reserve Bank.

2003 - St. Louis: Milwaukee may have had the greatest per capita dealer/collector representation when this group visited the '03 St. Louis Central States convention. From the left are Russ Konig, Ken Konig, Dave Hunsinger, Harry Siagas, Neil Shafer, Bruce Benoit, and David Derzon. (Bruce Benoit photo)

All CSNS officers were reelected during the Saturday business meeting. Education programs were held on Sunday and featured a lecture on ancient coins by M. Vernon Sheldon and his Kodachrome slides.

The 1952 CSNS convention was based on an invitation of the Cincinnati Numismatic Association which also invited the Ohio State Numismatic Society to hold a joint convention with Central States, May 2-4. Will Reinhardt wrote a poem titled, "Cincinnati Bound," published in the January, 1952, *Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine*. In part, it read: *"On May second, third and fourth, you may ride your hobby back and forth. You'll forget about this arctic weather, when you and the Buckeyes meet together. For ole Sol* [Sol Kaplan was convention chairman] *will be beaming with radiant rays to make life more pleasant on these three days."*

Convention publicity chairman, Ed Mitchell, highlighted the auction to be conducted by Abe Kosoff of Numismatic Gallery. He promised entertainment for the ladies including a field trip around Cincinnati and style show and luncheon.

Despite a gasoline strike which caused numerous last minute cancellations, the Cincinnati "two-in-one" convention was well attended. Twenty-six exhibits were in place from a list of exhibitors that reads like the "Who's Who" of the hobby: Richard Yeoman, J. V. McDermott, Art Kagin, Glenn Smedley, Dr. J. Hewitt Judd, M. Vernon Sheldon, James Curtis, John J. Pittman, and the Chase National Bank's collection of obsolete Ohio notes.

The auction was attended by 122 floor bidders and 800 mail bidders. Some prices realized were: 1793 Chain cent, VF, $250; 1859 $20 proof, $525; and an 1865 $20 proof, $425.

At the CSNS business meeting, a resolution was passed asking the Treasury Department to include a silver dollar in future proof sets.

New officers were installed: James W. Curtis, president; C. C. Shroyer, vice president; and Paul

1972 - Milwaukee: Detroit's Irving M. Moskovitz (right) accepted special honors for a stunning 59 case exhibit of gold! The presentation was made by convention chairman A. P. "Del" Bertschy. U. S. Mint director, Eva B. Adams, and John Jay Pittman looked on. (CSNS Archives photo)

2003 - St. Louis: Looking more like tourists than numismatists, Neil Shafer and Dave Hunsinger found time to visit St. Louis' downtown attractions surrounding The America's Center, site of the '03 convention. (Bruce Benoit photo)

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Ginther, secretary-treasurer. The Saturday evening roast beef banquet featured a Mr. Parker, radio and TV commentator, who was interned in Japan during World War II. He told of the many fine coin collections he had seen during his 20 years in the Orient.

Chicago was approved for the 1953 convention, May 1-3, with Glenn Smedley as chairman.

1978 - St. Louis: Evelina "Evie" Kelley (left), for years "the voice" of convention message centers, compared awards with Bernice "Bink" Stevenson, general show chairperson. Bink had just been named a Numismatic Ambassador by *Numismatic News*; Evie received the same honor a year earlier. (CSNS Archives photo)

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Frustrations of An Exhibitor!!

by Ginger Rapsus

I had planned an exhibit on the 1921 Morgan dollar, but I had to give it up. I couldn't afford the coins!

That common 1921 dollar, and I couldn't afford it? Well, for an exhibit that covers the varieties and special issues, yes! Such a project can be much more challenging, and more expensive, than you may think.

Such a project would demand the three basic coins - the 1921 Philadelphia, Denver and San Francisco mint issues. Common coins to be sure, but look for such coins in high mint state with a better than average appearance. You may have to pay a fancy price for these coins. You may also want to add a better made dollar, such as an 1881-S, to show the contrasts in striking, luster, and overall eye appeal. Don't forget to note the size of the mintmarks, the tiny size, and the fact that the 1921 issue was the only Morgan dollar struck at Denver.

So that's a challenge. Do you want a REAL challenge? Try to find one of the specially engraved Denver coins. These seldom seen dollars are so rare, that in over 35 years of Morgan dollar collecting, I have seen only two offered for sale and heard of another being discovered in suburban Chicago - at a bingo game!

A number of the first 100 1921-D dollars were engraved as follows: "-th dollar released from the first 100 ever coined at Denver Mint, Thomas Annear Supt." The engraving faces Miss Liberty on the obverse. It is not known exactly how many of the first 100 actually were engraved this way; perhaps the last fifty or so were not even engraved. It is not certain this engraving was even done at the Mint. Regardless of the who and where, this coin is an unusual piece and a great addition to an advanced set of Morgans, especially for those collectors who appreciate history.

I saw one specimen offered for sale in a Bowers & Ruddy Rare Coin Review, circa 1972. Another appeared at auction in 1992. One turned up in circulation in Tennessee in 1935, and another in a bingo game in 1989.

And now, the proofs! Proof 1921 Morgan dollars are rare coins, perhaps not the finest quality, but proofs do exist. The Zerbe proofs (mintage in the hundreds or so) are a little easier to find than the Chapman proofs, but the appearance is not as nice, and some researchers believe the Zerbe coins are not true proofs.

Last year at the Baltimore ANA show, I examined both coins, on display side by side. The Chapman coin was, indeed, nicer, more closely resembling a proof, although the Zerbe coin had claims to special striking. Two lovely coins, but I could not buy one, let alone the pair!

The mintage of the Chapman proof is 15 or so. They are offered very rarely, and always, at good prices.

At a recent FUN show, I noted that a supposed sandblast proof of the 1921 Morgan dollar was offered at auction. I did not get a chance to examine

this coin closely, but this piece came with some documentation to back up its claim as a sandblast proof, and the photo surely looked interesting. I had not seen or heard of such a striking before. Could it be unique?

There is another special coin that should be included, and that is the branch mint proof of 1921-S. The quality again is not exceptional, but it's a special striking. Only five or so were minted.

Get away from the fancy stuff, and you have a few mint errors to consider for your 1921 display. One January, the very first coin I looked at (at the FUN show) was a 1921 Morgan dollar struck about 10% off center. Off-center dollars are not that common; mis-strikes would be spotted and thrown back in the hopper to be melted down.

There are probably many more errors and varieties, subtle and not so subtle, for your 1921 Morgan dollar display. You need a good glass, lots of patience, and access to a lot of shows or a lot of dealers.

So, there's a 1921 Morgan dollar exhibit. Three common coins that are not easy to find in really choice condition, two rare proofs, a very rare branch mint proof, a possibly unique striking, an unusual engraved coin, and mint errors large and small.

No, I think I'll forget about doing an exhibit on the 1921 Morgan dollar. Maybe I'll try an exhibit on something less expensive and challenging - like a 1794 silver dollar!!

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Central Area Happenings

Michigan Quarter Used in Class

Rep. Steve Bieda visited with elementary school students during "Michigan Week," May 15-21. (Courtesy: *Numismatic News.*)

State quarters and "Michigan Week" mixed well for State Rep. Steven Bieda when he spoke to classes in 10 elementary schools in his Warren and Sterling Heights, Mich., district to talk about his state and the quarter that honors it.

"The children are very interested in the state quarter program," Bieda said after his speaking tour May 15-21. "I would ask students how many collected the new state quarters and without exception, everyone would raise their hands."

Bieda noted that the students liked the map design. Surrounded by Great Lakes, the state outline is easily recognizable and the quarter makes for a lesson in geography in its own right.

The Michigan quarter, introduced in late January, was the 26th in the series and has been followed by Florida and Texas quarters.

Bieda worked with Michigan's governor in the design selection process.

A persistent history buff, Bieda is also credited with initiating the concept and legislation that lead to the issuance of the Thomas Edison commemorative coinage in February.

YN Quiz Deadline: Sept. 30th

Central States has mailed its 2nd Annual Junior Member Quiz to all of its YN members. The twenty-question quiz must be returned to CSNS Youth Committee chairman, Ray Lockwood, with a postmark on or before September 30, 2004.

The YN with the most correct answers will receive an '04 ¼ oz. gold eagle, the second place winner will earn an '04 silver proof set, and third place will win an '04 regular proof set. In the case of a tie, a second quiz with fewer and harder questions will be used. The tie-breaker quiz will also contain an essay question.

Last year's Junior Member Quiz winners were: 1st, Katie Heinrich; 2nd, Sarah Dembinski, and 3rd, Max Spiegel.

CSNS YN member, Katie Heinrich, is planning a special event for YNs attending next year's St. Louis CSNS convention. The event is part of a Girl Scout project for Katie, and she promises a fun-filled experience with an opportunity to win some valuable prizes. Stayed tuned to *Your Newsletter* for more information!

Waukesha Club Collectibles

Continuing a tradition that has been on-going for years, members of the Waukesha (WI) Coin Club produced new editions of their wooden nickel and elongated cent series. Both pieces were created to promote their March 14th coin show, their 35th annual. Different in one respect, both pieces feature Wisconsin state quarter designs - the wood duplicating the design accepted for the '04 state quarter; the elongate depicting the runner-up design.

Collectors may acquire specimens - 50-cents per elongate and 25-cents per wooden nickel, plus a SASE per order - by writing to Waukesha Coin Club, 1912 Laura Lane, Waukesha, WI 53186. (Other elongates dating back to 1995 and woods back to the early 1970s, as well as souvenir cards and dollar size tokens, are also available. Supplies are limited.)

Kamb Garners Presidential Honors

For years of devoted service to numismatics, Bill Kamb of Ohio (left) was honored with an ANA Presidential Award during Ohio State Numismatic Association's recently concluded annual convention. The award was presented on behalf of ANA President Gary Lewis by Tom Klunzinger, ANA district coordinator for Ohio, Michigan and Indiana. Kamb was elected to the CSNS board of governors during the recent election, and serves the Canadian Numismatic Association as their Midwest Representative. (Photo by David Heinrich)

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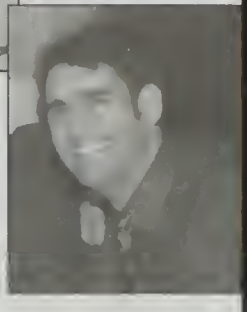

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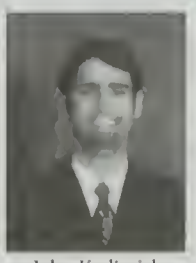

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Business Briefs

Borckardt Joins Heritage

Mark Borckardt, world-renowned numismatist, has joined Heritage Numismatic Auctions in Dallas as a Senior Cataloger and Professional Numismatist.

"Our superlative cataloging staff," enthused Heritage President Greg Rohan, "has been strengthened with this welcome addition. Mark has been a full-time professional numismatist since 1980, plus his involvement in the hobby - attending coin shows and conventions as a dealer - stretches all the way back to 1970. His credentials as a cataloger and an author are in credibly impressive."

Borckardt received the Early American Coppers Literary Award, as well as the Numismatic Literary Guild's "Book of the Year Award," for the *Encyclopedia of Early United States Cents, 1793-1814*, published in 2000. He also serves as a contributor to *A Guide Book of United States Coins*, the popular "Redbook." He was also a contributor to the Harry W. Bass, Jr. Sylloge, writing the chapters on early gold coinage, including Quarter Eagles, Half Eagles, and Eagles. In addition, Mark was a substantial contributor to the Early Dollar section of the *Encyclopedia of Silver Dollars and Trade Dollars of the United States*. Most recently, he was Senior Numismatist with Bowers and Merena Galleries, serving as a major contributor to all of that firm's landmark auctions, as well as the "Rare Coin Review."

Mark is currently working on several writing project, most specifically an *Encyclopedia of Early United States Gold Coinage*, covering die varieties and historical background of the three gold denominations issued from 1795 through 1834. The coinage issues of the first Philadelphia Mint, from 1793 through 1832, represent Mark's strongest numismatic interest.

When not immersed in numismatics, he is an avid bowler, carrying an average just over 200, and with seven perfect 300 games. Mark is a graduate of the University of Findlay (OH) with a Bachelors Degree in mathematics. He and his wife, Mary, have three children.

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The program features a speaker's bureau to deliver presentations at coin club meetings, promotional items to be offered to clubs to help generate revenue and enlist new members, and access to the Heritage website and mailing list of over 100,000 active coin and currency enthusiasts.

Anyone interested in scheduling a speaker for a coin club or other collector group is invited to contact David Lisot (800-872-6467, ext. 303; DavidL@heritagecoins.com) or Stewart Huckaby (800-872-6467, ext. 355; StewartH@heritagecoins.com).

Coin Shop Case Headed to Higher Court

by Adam Kovac

Elgin, IL - Aug. 14, 2004

The owner of an Elgin coin shop has stepped up his fight to prohibit the city from forcibly purchasing his longstanding business to make way for a proposed six-story condominium complex.

Cliff Heverly, who owns the Northern Illinois Coin Shop, plans to ask a state appellate court to stop the city from taking the store to revitalize the corner of South Grove Avenue and Prairie Street.

Heverly has fiercely challenged Elgin's use of eminent domain laws to raze his store and rejected several offers from the city to purchase the business.

David Chroust, Heverly's attorney, said court papers likely will be filed later this month to try to reverse a Kane County judge's ruling that gave the city authority to take the store by force. The decision halts a civil trial scheduled to begin Monday to determine how much Elgin would have to pay Heverly to buy the store.

"The bottom line is, we're not going to fight over the (value) of the property," Chroust said. "We're going to appeal over whether the city has the right to take the property."

Rick Kozal, an attorney for the city, said Heverly will receive $225,000 for the property at 112 South Grove Ave., regardless of the outcome of the appeal.

Although the settlement allows Heverly to appeal his case, it spares Elgin's lawyers from having to negotiate the matter in a civil trial, Kozal said.

The coin shop is on the site of the proposed $28 million Par project, part of a large-scale effort to revamp downtown Elgin.

The city first tried to persuade Heverly to sell the property about four years ago, sparking a contentious dispute that drew the ire of several coin collectors and business owners.

Heverly even hung a sign in the window of his shop comparing the use of eminent domain to domestic terrorism.

Adam Kovac is a staff writer for the Elgin (IL) Daily Herald.

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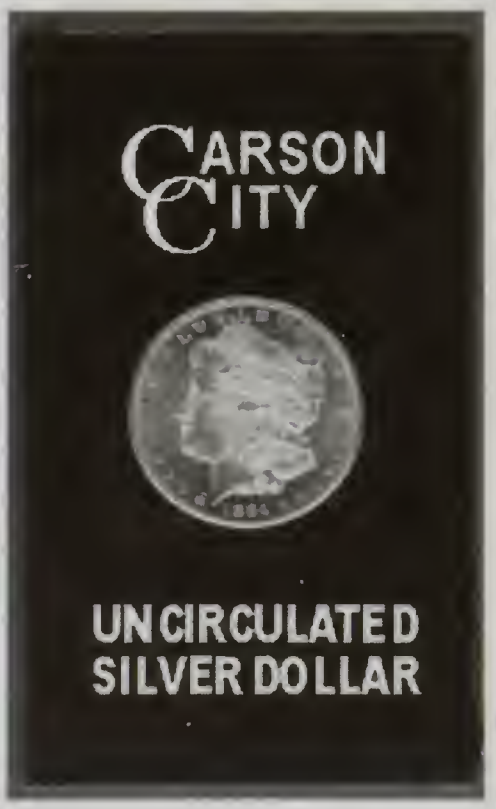

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ILLINOIS

Central Illinois Numismatic Association (CINA)... meets at 7:00 p.m. the 2nd Thursday each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, North Council #4175, 2801 West St., Springfield, IL. (No meetings in August or December.) Contact: Steve Butler, 217-528-7634.

Indian Hill Coin Club... meets the 2nd Wednesday each month, 8:00 p.m. at the Avon Township Hall on Washington St. in Round Lake Park, IL. Contact: Mike Hanninen, 847-872-2725.

Lake County Coin Club... meets at 7:30 p.m. the 1st Tuesday each month at the In-Laws Restaurant, 720 Milwaukee Ave., Gurnee, IL. (No meetings if 1st Tuesday conflicts with major holiday.) Contact: Les Hannula, 847-662-1955.

Oak Forest Numismatic Society... meets at 7:00 p.m. the 1st Thursday each month at Bremen Township Hall, 15350 Oak Park Ave., Oak Forest, IL. Contact: Howard Ribbentrop, 708-687-2919; e-mail: dianhow@aol.com.

Rockford Area Coin Club... meets at 6:30 p.m. the 3rd Thursday each month at the Loves Park Library, 6340 No. 2nd St., Loves Park, IL. Contact: Don Smith, 815-624-0422; e-mail: http://www.exonumia.com/racc.htm.

Will County Coin Club... meets at 7:30 p.m. the 1st Thursday each month at Ramada Inn Limited, I-80 & Houbolt Rd., Joliet, IL. Contact: Mark Wieclaw, 815-485-4137.

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Calumet Numismatic Society... meets in Highland, IN on the 3rd Wednesday each month at the Highland Public Library, 2841 Jewett St. (No meetings in January or February.) Contact: Mrs. Daisy Talley, secretary/treasurer, 219-942-1349.

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Marion Coin Club... meets the 1st Monday each month at 7:00 p.m. - except June and July at 6:30 p.m. - at the Marion Public Library, 600 So. Washington St., Marion, IN. Contact: Ray Lockwood, 765-664-6520.

Muncie Coin & Stamp Club... meets at 7:00 p.m. the 2nd Tuesday each month at the Minnestria Cultural Center (on Minnestria Parkway just off Wheeling Ave.) Contact: Ray Saylor, 765-288-0371.

Old Fort Coin Club ... meets every 2nd Thursday, 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, 4700 Vance Ave., Fort Wayne, IN. Contact: 260-482-9890.

Wabash Valley Coin Club... meets at 7:00 p.m. the 4th Tuesday each month in the basement of the Vigo County Library, corner of 6th & Popular, Terre Haute, IN. Contact: Marvin Mericle, 812-898-1260, or e-mail: marv626@att.net.

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Ames Coin Club... meets the last Wednesday each month, 7:30 p.m., at the Heartland Senior Citizen Center, 205 Walnut. Contact: Scott Nichols, 515-232-9222 or 515-291-8352.

Cedar Rapids Coin Club... meets the 3rd Wednesday each month - except June and July - at Papich-Kuba Annex, 1300 Second St. SE, Cedar Rapids, IA. Contact: Dean Parr, 319-366-0552, or e-mail: drparr@aol.com. Website: www.money.org/clubs/crcc/index.html.

KANSAS

Johnson County Numismatic Society... meets at 7:15 p.m. the 3rd Thursday each month at the Lenexa Community Center, Pflumm Rd. at Santa Fe Trail Dr., Lenexa, KS. (No meeting - coin show only - in October.) Contact: Mark McWherter, 913-649-7070 (days) or 913-764-0386 (evenings).

Salina Coin Club... meets the 2nd Thursday each month at the VFW Post #1432, 1108 W. Crawford St., Salina, KS except for picnic in Sept., coin show in Oct., and party in Dec. Contacts: Larry Hower, 785-452-9331; Joe Ayotte, 785-825-0706.

KENTUCKY

Louisville Coin Club... meets the 3rd Sunday each month - except December - at 2:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Downtown, 2nd & Broadway, Louisville, KY. Contact: Harry Tileston. 502-244-2555.

MICHIGAN

Dearborn Coin Club... meets the 1st Tuesday of September thru June at the Ross McFadden House in Dearborn, MI. (No meetings in July or August.) Contact: 313-563-6437.

Kalamazoo Numismatic Club... meets the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., at the Westminster Presbyterian Church (children's choir room), 1515 Helen St., Kalamazoo, MI. (Auctions on 2nd Wed.; educational programs on 4th. No 4th Wed. meetings in Nov. and Dec.) Contact: Roxanne Nigg, 269-349-5383.

Lincoln Coin Club... meets 2nd & 4th Mondays (except on major holidays) at the Polish Falcons Meeting Hall, Toledo-Dix, in Southgate, MI. Contact: Troy Haarala, 313-381-1287.

Northwest Detroit Coin Club... meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 15218 Farmington Rd., Livonia, MI. (No meetings during summer months.) Contact: Donald F. Priebe, 734-425-9225.

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College City Coin Club... meets the 1st Wednesday each month, 7:30 p.m. at the Northfield Community Center, Senior Citizens Hall, 1651 Jefferson Pky., Northfield, MN. Contact: Jerry Swanson, 507-289-5099.

Owatonna Coin & Stamp Club... meets the 3rd Thursday, 7:30 p.m. at the Senior Place, Park & Rec. Dept., 500 Dunnell Dr., Owatonna, MN. (No meetings in July, August or December.) Contact: Dean Jirousek, 507-455-2484.

Rochester Area Coin Club... meets the last Wednesday each month, 7:00 p.m. at the Law Enforcement Center, Rooms 2A & B, 101-4th St. SE, Rochester, MN. Contact: Jerry Swanson, 507-289-5099.

NEBRASKA

Lincoln Coin Club... meets the 2nd Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at Hampton Inn So., 5922 Vandervoort Dr. (59th & Old Cheney Rd. (behind Lazlow's), Lincoln, NE. Contact: Barry Nowak, 402-483-4499.

Omaha Coin Club... meets the 3rd Friday with YN meeting at 7:00 p.m. and regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the New Cassel Retirement Center, 900 No. 90th St., Omaha, NE. Contact: Ron Matson, 402-895-7715.

NORTH DAKOTA

Capital City Coin Club... meets at 7:00 p.m. the 1st Tuesday of September thru May at the Bismarck Public Library, Bismarck, ND. Contacts: Larry Schneider, 701-258-9438 or capitalcitycoinclub@bis.midco.net.

OHIO

CNS / COINS (Columbus)... meets the 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. at the Grandview High School cafeteria. (Picnic in August; Christmas dinner in December.) Contact: Evan Brill, secretary, 614-451-5055.

WISCONSIN

Kenosha Coin Club... meets the 1st Thursday each month (no meetings in July and August), 7:00 p.m. at Kenosha Union Hall, 3030 -39th Ave., Kenosha, WI. Contact: Jerry Binsfeld, 262-657-4653 days; 262-654-6272 nights.

Milwaukee Numismatic Society... meets at 7:30 p.m. on the 3rd Thursday at Mayfair Mall Community Room, 2500 No. Mayfair Rd. in Wauwatosa, WI. (Use entrance #2 on east side of mall). Contact: Annette Tramte, 414-541-7028.

Nicolet Coin Club... meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. at Stein Supper Club, 126 So. Adams, Green Bay, WI. Contact: Don Long, 920-468-7760.

Ozaukee Coin Club... meets at 7:00 p.m. on 2nd Thursday at the Cedarburg Public Library, W63 N583 Hanover Ave., Cedarburg, WI. Contact: John Helm, 262-376-9503.

Racine Numismatic Society ... meets the 2nd Thursday each month (no meetings in July and August), 7:00 p.m. at Castlewood Restaurant, 2815 Wisconsin St. (across from Amtrak Depot), Sturtevant, WI . Contact: Jerry Binsfeld, 262-657-4653 days; 262-654-6272 nights.

South Shore Coin Club... meets at 7:30 p.m. the 2nd Tuesday of each month (except no meetings in July and August) at St. Roman's Church Annex, 1710 W. Bolivar Ave., Milwaukee, WI. Contact: Annette Tramte, 414-541-7028.

Waukesha Coin Club... meets at 7:00 p.m. the 1st Wednesday at the Waukesha Salvation Army office, 445 Madison St., Waukesha, WI. Contact: Forrest Schumacher, 262-524-3227. E-mail: fschumacher@wi.rr.com.

Show Calendar

The "Coin Show Calendar" is a regular feature of each issue of The Centinel *and is intended to assist collectors and dealers in planning their future show attendance and to aid show sponsors in avoiding date conflicts.*

Show Officials: Send complete information regarding your coming event to The Centinel *well in advance - 6 to 18 months - and include dates, official name, sponsoring club name, location and address, and contact person's name, mailing and/or e-mail address, and telephone/fax number to the Editor, P.O. Box 296, Iola, WI 54945.*

Cincinnati, OH - Oct. 1-3
21st Annual Numismatic Expo. Sharonville Convention Ctr., I-75 Exit 15. Paul Padget, 7641 Reinhold Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45237. 513-821-2143.

Logansport, IN - Oct. 3
Logansport Coin Club's 50th Annual Fall Coin Show. Holiday Inn, 3550 E. Market St. (U.S. 24 East). Dave Colford, PO Box 1364, Logansport, IN 46947. 574-753-9887.

Decorah, IA - Oct. 3
Decorah Coin Club Show. Winneshick Cty. Fairgrounds. Dave Sanderson, 307 West St. SW, Waukon, IA 52172. 563-568-2371.

Fairview Heights, IL - Oct. 3
Metro East Coin & Currency Club Fall Show. Ramada Inn, 6900 No. Illinois St. Scott Brennan, 1121 E. Main St., Belleville, IL 62220. 618-939-1112 or 277-4493.

Royal Oak, MI - Oct. 3
Royal Oak Fall Coin Club Show. Senior Community Ctr., 3500 Marias Rd. Eric Lorentzen & Ken Rama, PO Box 445, Royal Oak, MI 48068. 586-770-1483 or 586-727-1790.

St. Louis, MO - Oct. 7-9
Silver Dollar & Rare Coin Expo. America's Center, 701 Convention Plaza. John B. Woodside, 11262 Olive Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63141. 314-692-2646.

Wapakoneta, OH - Oct. 10
Tri-County Coin Club Show. Auglaize Cty. Fairgrounds, W. Auglaize St. Tri-County Coin Club, PO Box 204, New Bremen, OH 45869.

Fairfield, IL - Oct. 10
Fairfield Coin Club Show. North Side Grade School, 806 No. 1st St. Elias N. Simpson, 501 W. King St., Fairfield, IL 62837. 618-842-2035.

Brooklyn Center, MN - Oct. 15-17
Minnesota Organization of Numismatists (MOON) Annual Coin Show. Earle Brown Heritage Center, 6155 Earle Brown Dr. Jay Darby, PO Box 7323, Rochester, MN 55903. 507-202-3390.

Bloomfield, IN - Oct. 16
Bloomfield Coin Club Show. 4-H Fairgrounds, Hwy. 54W. Bill Stogsdill, PO Box 5906, Bloomington, IN 47407. 812-339-1724.

Ottumwa, IA - Oct. 16
Ottumwa Coin Club Fall Show. K. C. Hall, 123 W. 3rd St. Denny Ross, 7079 -189th St., Albia, IA 52531. 641-932-2731.

Lenexa, KS - Oct. 16-17
Johnson County Numismatic Society's 36th Annual Coin, Stamp & Card Show. Community Center, Pflumm Rd. at Santa Fe Trail Dr., (from I-35 & 95th St. two blocks W. to Pflumm, then two blocks No. to Comm. Ctr.) Mark McWherter, 1107 E. Northview St., Olathe, KS 66061. 913-649-7070 (work) or 913-764-0386 (home).

Battle Creek, MI - Oct. 17
Battle Creek Coin Club Show. Battle Creek Inn, I-94 at Capital Ave., Exit 97. Mike Monroe, 124 Redbird Ln., Battle Creek, MI 49017. 269-964-3832.

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Monroeville, PA - Oct. 22-24
Fall PAN (Penn. Assn. of Numismatists) Coin Show. Pittsburgh Expomart, Rt. 22 (PA Turnpike Exit 57, old exit 6). John Paul Sarosi, 106 Market St., Johnstown, PA 15901. 814-535-5766.

Fort Dodge, IA - Oct. 23-24
Iowa Numismatic Association's 66th Annual Convention. Holiday Inn & Convention Center, 2001 Hwy. 169 S. Sam Ashton, 615 Central Ave., Fort Dodge, IA 50501. 515-573-3033.

Evansville, IN - Oct. 24
Evansville Coin Club Show. C. K. Newsome Ctr., 100 E. Walnut St. Darrell Watkins, 1618 No. Elm, Henderson, KY 42420. 270-827-0445.

Elgin, IL - Oct. 31
Elgin Coin Club's 42nd Annual Coin Show. VFW Post #1307, 1601 Weld Rd. Don Cerny, PO Box 561, So. Elgin, IL 60177. 847-888-1449.

Gurnee, IL - Oct. 31
Indian Hill Coin Club Show. American Legion Post # 771, 749 N. Milwaukee Ave. Mike Hanninen, 2400 Horeb Ave., Zion, IL 60099. 847-872-2725.

Chattanooga, TN - Nov. 5-7
Tennessee State Numismatic Society Annual Fall Coin Show. Camp Jordan Arena, I-75, Exit 1. Gayle Pike, Box 11705, Memphis, TN 38111. 901-327-1703; e-mail: Pikegk@aol.com

Indianapolis, IN - Nov. 5-6
Indiana State Numismatic Association's 46th Annual Coin Show. New Liberty Hall, Marriott Hotel, 7202 E. 21st & Shadeland Ave. Joyce Fischer, PO Box 2624, Anderson, IN 46018. 765-649-0253; kycolonels@insightbb.com

Kenosha, WI - Nov. 6
Kenosha Coin Club 46th Annual Show. Kenosha Union Club, 3030 - 39th Ave. Jerry Binsfeld, 6040 - 39th Ave., Suite 7, Kenosha, WI 53142. 262-657-4653; e-mail: Jerome_747@yahoo.com

Johnston (Des Moines), IA - Nov. 13-14
Des Moines Coin Club Annual Show. Foxboro Conference Ctr., 6165 NW 86th St., Johnston, IA. (Exit 86th St. off I-35/80.) Chris Seuntjens, 3427 Merle Hay Rd., Des Moines, IA 50310. 515-251-4031.

Marietta, OH - Nov. 13-14
Parkersburg Coin Club Show. Comfort Inn, 700 Pike St. (I-77 & Rt. 7). Timothy E. Miller, 4407 Powell St., Parkersburg, WV 26104. 304-422-4375.

Rochester, MN - Nov. 14
Rochester Area Coin Club's Southern MN Coin & Stamp Show. Comfort Inn Conference Ctr., 1625 So. Broadway St. Jerry Swanson, PO Box 565, Rochester, MN 55903. 507-289-5099.

Springfield, IL - Nov. 14
Illinois Numismatic Association's Annual Fall Coin Show. Northfield Center I, 3210 Northfield Drive. Steve Butler, 1712 So. First St., Springfield, IL 62704. 217-528-7634.

Springfield, OH - Nov. 14
Clark Cty. Coin Club's 46th Semi-Annual Coin Show. Freedom Rd. Ctr., 1100 Sunset Ave., I-70 Exit 54. Kenneth G. Townsend, 3468 Homeacres, Beavercreek, OH 45431. 937-426-8822.

Windsor, Ont. - Nov. 14
Windsor Coin Club Annual Fall Show. Caboto Club, 2175 Parent Ave., Windsor, Ontario, Canada. M. Clarke, 519-735-0727. E-mail: mclarke@wincom.net

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St. Louis, MO - Nov. 18-20
19th Annual National & World Paper Money Convention. St. Louis Airport Hilton. Kevin Foley, 414-421-3484.

Honolulu, HI - Nov. 19-21
Hawaii State Numismatic Association Annual Convention. Hawaii Convention Center. Marion Kendrick, PO Box 477, Honolulu, HI 96809. 808-486-4766.

Dearborn, MI - Nov. 26-28
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New York International Numismatic Convention. Waldorf Astoria Hotel, 301 Park Ave. Kevin Foley, 414-421-3484.

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48th Annual Money Show of the Southwest. George R. Brown Convention Center, 1001 Avenida de las Americas. Contact: Carl Schwenker, 281-586-9727.

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Brookfield, WI - Mar. 13
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Marion, IN - Mar. 26
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Gurnee, IL - Mar. 27
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Milwaukee, WI - Mar. 31-Apr. 2
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Rosemont, IL - Apr. 21-24
30th Annual Chicago International Coin Fair (CICF). Holiday Inn O'Hare Hotel, 5440 No. River Road. Kevin Foley, PO Box 589, Milwaukee, WI 53201. 414-421-3484.

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56th Annual Pacific Northwest Numismatic Assn. (PNNA) Convention & Coin Show. Tukwila Community Center, 12424 - 42nd Ave. So., Tukwila, Washington. Scott Loos, PO Box 2210, North Bend, WA 98045. 425-831-8789; e-mail: scottloos@msn.com.

Windsor, Ont. - May 1
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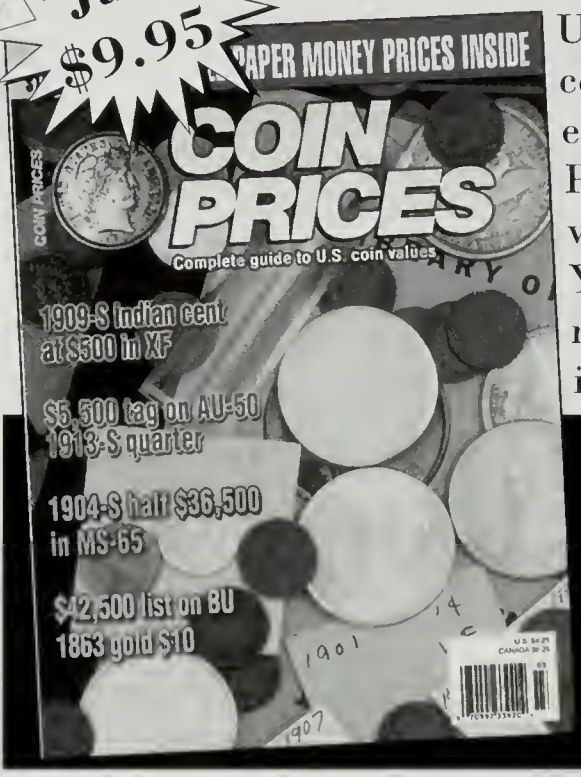

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